(b) whether National village and rehabilitation Mission has been set up; and

(c) the names of villages in which additional houses have been constructed under the action plan of this mission, the village-wise number of such houses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUBHASH MAHARIA): (a) As per information received from the Government of Rajasthan, the number of houses constructed from 1985 to 2000 Churu District, Rajasthan under the Indira Awas Yojana (IAY) is 7796 and Rs. 1423.536 lakh was allocated for the same. The Ministry of Rural Development does not monitor Village-wise performance under the IAY.

(b) and (c) The Ministry of Rural Development has set up a National Mission for Rural Housing and Habitat. However, no village-wise target for additional houses has been set by the Mission.

APCO Action Plan

427. SHRI RUMANDLA RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the APCO has prepared an action plan for Rs. 30 crore and placed an indent with 400 cooperative societies in different districts of the State of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, whether this would help weavers to generate fresh work for the weavers and ensure viability of the societies; and

(c) if so, to what extent this action plan has been helpful for weavers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAY KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir. APCO has reported that it has prepared a production plan worth Rs. 30.00 crores for 430 primaries of different districts of Andhra Pradesh.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. It is expected that the production programme issued to societies would help to generate additional work for 50,000 member weavers families throughout the year and ensure viability of the societies.

Decline in Export of Readymade Garments

428. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the export of readymade garments is showing a continuously declining trend during the last six months *vis-a-vis* the export during the corresponding period of last year;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government have taken or propose to take any measures to reverse the trend and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAY KUMAR): (a) and (b) As per latest available DGCI&S data upto April 2001, the exports of readymade garments amounted to US$ 2675.5 Million during the period November 2000-April, 2001 as compared to US$ 2644.9 Million during the corresponding period of 1999-2000, recording an increase of 1.2%